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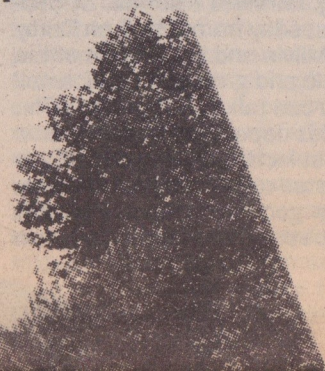
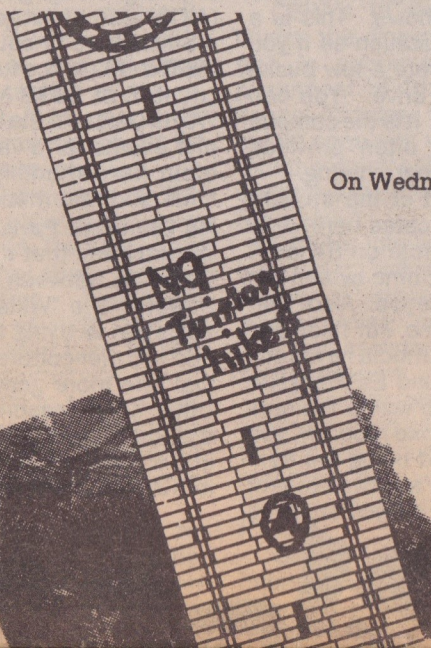
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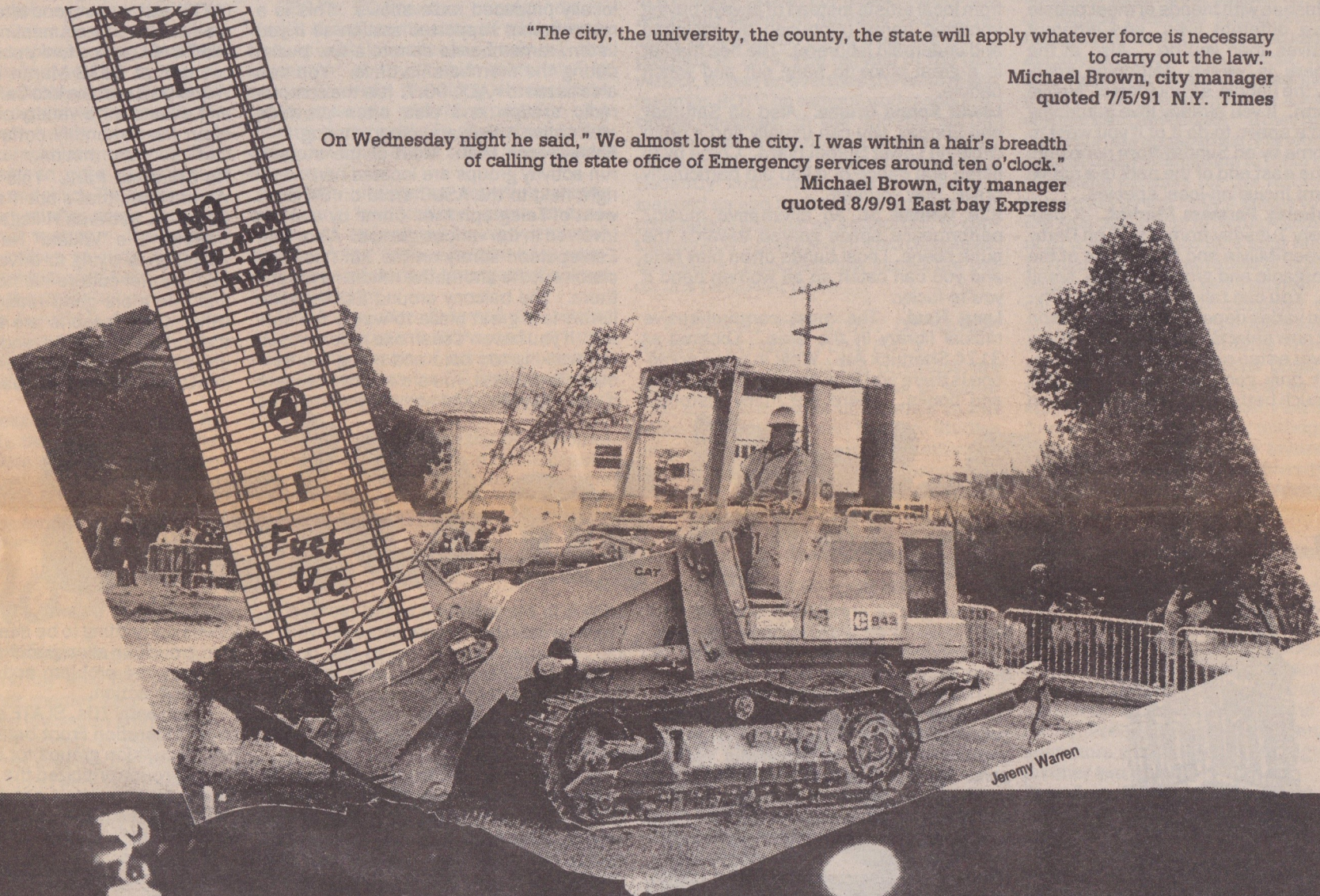
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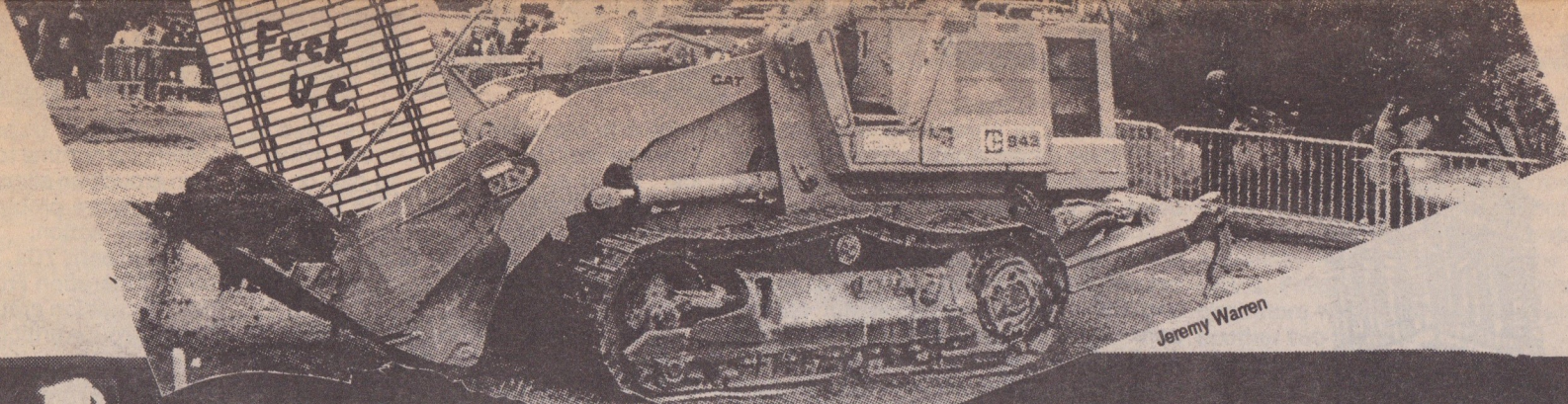
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Cool Places to Hang Out



People just coming to the Berkeley community may at first think that their whole world is defined by the space directly around the university. That is what the university wants you to think. They are able to control that space. If you stay in that space, you risk only meeting people who are similar to you and only having experiences you are already familiar with. You need to explore territory beyond the antiseptic university district. Here are some ideas...

People's Park. Contrary to university propaganda, the park is a nice place to hang out. Located between Dwight and Haste east of Telegraph, it's the center of many activities on the South Side. There's free food usually a couple of times a day, which is often better than what you get in the dorms. There are concerts almost every weekend (concerts at the park are much nicer than ones on Lower Sproul since you can sit on the grass and get comfortable.) and it's a nice place to throw a frisbee with friends or meet people who have different lives, and different perspectives than you do. Also at the park, there is weekly gardening sponsored by the People's Park Project/Native Plant Farm. If you already love gardening but need a space to do it or if you want to learn, come by on Sunday from noon until dusk. The east end of the park is a native plant farm including local species.

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fruit and vegetables. Prices here are often much more reasonable than at "health" food stores. The farmers market is sponsored by the Ecology Center, also a good place to check out. The center handles Berkeley's curbside recycling program. There's a bookstore and lots of ecological information. It is located at 2530 San Pablo at Blake.

The Berkeley Flea Market. It runs every Saturday and Sunday from about 10 to 5 in the parking lot near the Ashby BART station. (Next to Ashby between MLK and Adeline.) The market is very, very ethnically and culturally diverse. Shoppers and vendors are from many nations. There are many different types of music. A good place to buy used items if you are furnishing a house or setting up a kitchen. Used stuff is cheaper and more interesting than new items. It also saves the earth—recycled stuff rather than new production. There is also a variety of handmade and imported items. Be sure to buy crafts from local artists instead of always buying imported items (produced by exploited and underpaid laborers). The flea market is a great place to hang out and watch people.

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documents that are very interesting. Groups can also rent the space for meetings or events. Call 84-UNION for info.

La Peña. Located at 3105 Shattuck, La Peña Cultural Center focuses on Latin American culture. You can drink a beer or eat dinner there and listen to various music groups perform. Pick up their calendar to see what is happening. A great place to hang out.

UC Theater. Located at 2036 University Ave. This theater has a different double feature every night. They often have foreign, rare or hard to find films. Also classic films. Not only are the films more interesting than at an establishment theater but it is a little cheaper, only \$5. Get a schedule for your wall and check it out.

Your Radio. This isn't a place to hang out but is a Berkeley resource well worth exploring. You can listen to KPFA, 94.1 FM, for Pacifica news, which offers a radical and alternative perspective. They also have many alternative and innovative locally produced radio shows. This is a membership supported station so if you listen, remember to donate a few bucks during the membership drive. You can also listen to KALX, 90.7. It is the campus radio station and also often provides alternative music and programming.

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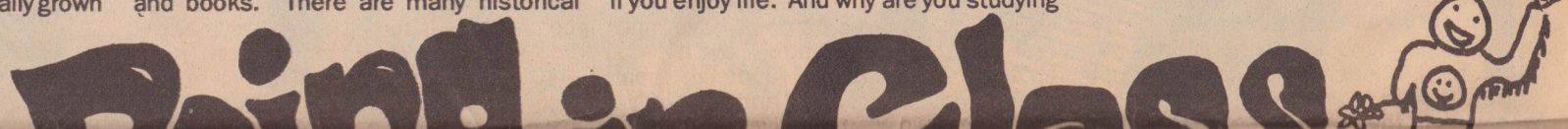
Ashkenaz Nightclub. On San Pablo at Gilman. They offer excellent Afro-caribbean, Third World, ethnic and folk type music three or four nights per week and the other nights you can go folk dancing or take a lesson to learn dances from around the world. Dancing is great on their groovy solid wood dance floor. Get a load of their impressive collection of political posters on the walls. All ages are welcome so you can leave your fake ID at home.

Mama Bear's. Near 66th on Telegraph. A cool women's bookstore and coffeeshop. A nice, comfortable place to hang out and talk, read or just observe. They have a lot of books on women's issues, and in particular have lots of stuff on lesbianism and issues of sexuality.

Free Clinic. In a basement at 2339 Durant this is the place to pick up a free condom or some information on them (or anything else), get an anonymous HIV (AIDS) test, or get good alternative, caring medical care or counseling.

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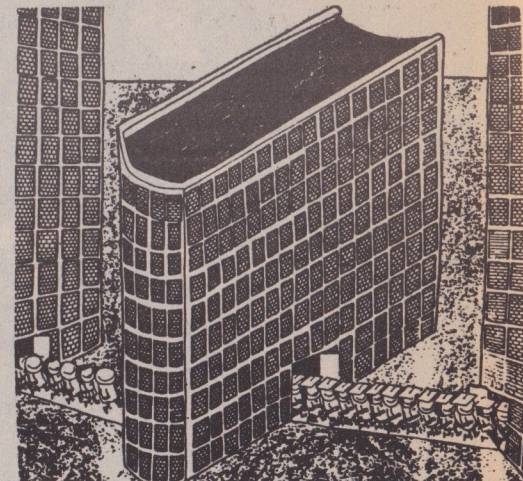
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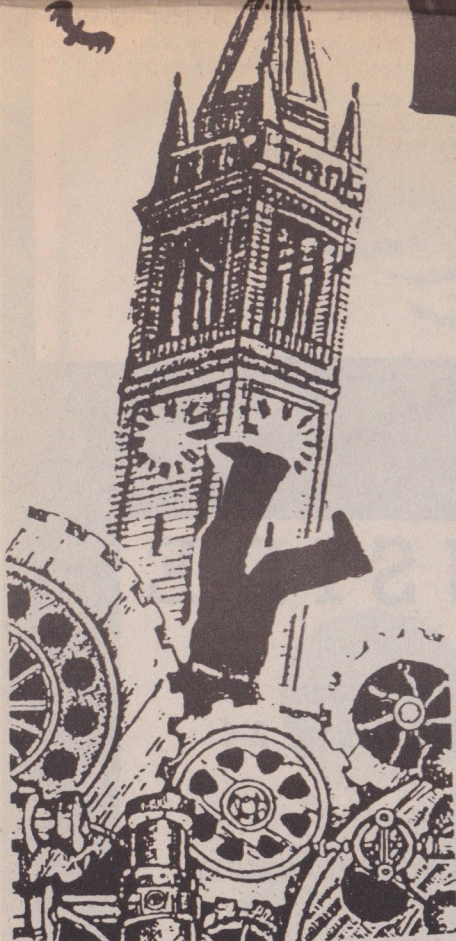
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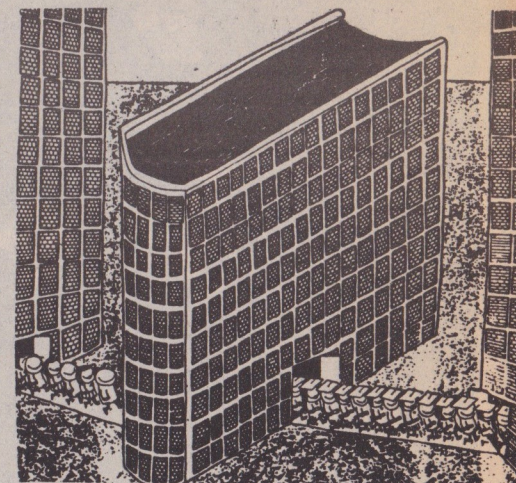
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SLINGSHOT



Slingshot is an irregularly published, collectively-produced, autonomous student/community newspaper. This issue is Slingshot's third attempt at producing a Disorientation issue. Frankly, it's a rather weak attempt, but with all the activity around People's Park can you blame us? Of course not.

Disorientation has a long and (un)hallowed history here at Cal. The first Disorientation was produced in 1969 and it has been published infrequently since then. Slingshot produced its first Disorientation issue in 1988.

Before 1983, ASUC used to directly participate in publishing the Disorientation. Our ultimate dream is that Slingshot won't need to publish a Disorientation issue because a separate manual will be published. Such a manual would be a project funded by the ASUC, produced by a coalition of campus groups. This would allow Disorientation to reach the level of quality it has had in the past when it was truly representative of all groups and was much more comprehensive. For instance, this issue lacks significant feminist and Third World perspectives.

We also are lacking articles on other important issues such as the LRDP and education budget cuts.

Currently, annual Disorientation manuals are published at other universities. At both MIT and Reed College, activists consider producing the manual to be one of their major annual tasks. Here at UCB we should be able to do better.

As usual, Slingshot is in debt. This issue has cost us a bundle. The ASUC gives us a pitiful 400 dollars per year and because of it they force us to print:

"This publication is not an official publication of the Associated Students of the the University of California Berkeley. The views expressed herein are the views of the writers only. They are not necessarily the views of the University of California nor the University of California Berkeley."

Whatever. The views expressed in Slingshot are always the opinions of their authors and often have something to do with the views of the Slingshot collective. If you thought they were the views of the UC then they are "educating" you extremely well.

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Dealing With Dorm Living

At first it may seem as if the dorms are merely a service provided by the university. Their purpose is to provide housing. If you look deeper, however, you find that the dorms provide a great deal more than housing.

In the dorm system, the university has total control which it uses to try to direct students' social attitudes and actions in a particular direction. First of all, the dorms are very isolated from the rest of the university community. They are built to be self-sufficient so that students living in them need not interact with anyone outside of the dorms. You use dorm laundry rooms, a dorm food service, a dorm post box and participate in dorm organized social activities.

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in the door of your building because any stranger may be trying to steal.

This is not really objective truth this is what the university would like to have you believe so that you will support its social agenda. RAs don't tell you that the university has been waging a war against People's Park and Telegraph for 20 years to eliminate types of people it considers capable of undermining student's belief in the status quo. They don't tell you that the people that are fighting for People's Park right now are students and people that used to be students too, not violent homeless people trying to throw bottles at you. They don't tell you that the University police shot rubber and wooden bullets into groups trying to hold non-violent protests this summer. No, most RAs won't tell you that. That is not the way the university sees it.

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DEAR UNDERGRADUATES!!

I am no longer interested in cajoling you, arguing with you, or describing to you something you already know. What I am about to say to you at this point concerns you more directly. I will entreat you to furiously throw your comforting feelings of duty and responsibility for this institution to the winds and act on your situation. This institution, affectionately called "Cal" by many of you, or, as the Daily Cal might put it, "the Big U," does not deserve a response of loyalty and allegiance from you. There is only one proper response to Berkeley from undergraduates: that you organize and split this campus wide open!

FROM THIS POINT ON, DO NOT MISUNDERSTAND ME. MY INTENTION IS TO CONVINCE YOU THAT YOU DO NOTHING LESS THAN BEGIN AN OPEN, FIERCE, AND THOROUGHGOING REBELLION ON THIS CAMPUS.

—by Brad Cleaveland (written before 1964)

ity exists in America etc.) Secondly, they allow the university to "teach" new students the university's position on campus issues. They teach students not to question the university or to be critical of what it does.

How can students in the dorms escape this? First, move out of the dorms as soon as you can and experience what other living scenes have to offer. But while you are there, do what labor organizer from the turn-of-the-century, Joe Hill said: "Don't mourn, Organize."

Students in the dorms can do a lot to shake up their environment. They can invite outsiders in and help them get access to the dorms. Contact student groups to get speakers etc. Invite lots of strange people over and introduce them to other people in the dorms. Cover your door with political slogans and messages that encourage other students to THINK (especially information about People's Park...).

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STUDENT INITIATED SERVICE GROUPS

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While you are living in the dorms, much of what you are told by RAs and others as objective TRUTH is actually the university side of very contested issues. Like when you are told how dangerous it is to hang out around People's Park. Like when you are told how dangerous it is to be on Telegraph because of homeless people. Like when you are told to watch who gets

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Thus the dorms are the most effectively controlled space the university has. They isolate students from new ideas and thus act to maintain the ideas students already had when they came to college. (Individualism, hard work, support of the status quo, belief that justice and equal-

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The essence of higher education is supposed to be critical thinking and debate in an tolerant and open environment. Allow yourself to be guided by these principles while in the dorms.

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RAZA RECRUITMENT

They do outreach to the Chicano/Latino community in local and state high schools to try to improve recruitment and retention of Chicano/Latino students. They also sponsor a Raza Day where many people come and check out UCB. 642-1322. 500 Eshleperson Hall.

CAL CAMP

These people sponsor a summer camp to help low-income children get out and experience nature. 643-5005. 300B Eshlething Hall.

CAL CORPS

A student-run center which helps students link up with community programs in the area they can volunteer with. 642-3916. 103/303 Eshleman Hall.



UC police persuade a new dorm resident that People's Park is not a safe place for students.

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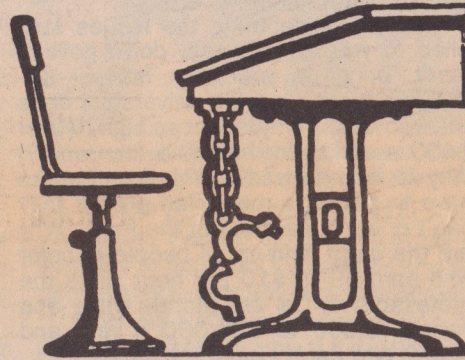
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Academic Credit

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Abnormal Behavior: Misplaced Shamanism, Difficulty Coping, or Biological Dysfunction?

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English 198 (Sue Schweik) • 4 units • Time TBA • Room TBA • Facilitator: Veronica Boutelle, 527-6337.

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This course is the study of important figures of the African Diaspora in the form of a children's play and will culminate in a theatrical presentation. Class and laboratory hours are spent in attendance at rehearsals and the performance of the play. Performances will be conducted off campus.

African American Studies 197 (Roy Thomas) • 3 units • Tuesday/Thursday 10:30-12:30 • Room TBA • Facilitator: Jaqueline Thomas, 526-8028.

Cultural and Stylistic Divergence in Contemporary Play Writing: Theatrical script writing workshop

This course will focus on get-down-and-actually-DO-IT-writing. The class will be exploring contemporary play writing on a variety of levels ranging from recent developments in African-American theatre to the ever evolving Experimental theatre. Active participation is a must! Every other week students will be required to critique one another's work collectively.
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Green Philosophy and values

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Conservation Resource Studies 98, 198 (Jack Potter) • 2 units • Peace and Conflict Studies 98, 198 (John Hurst) • 2 units • Wednesday 7-9 • Room TBA • Facilitators: Scott Sherman, 643-2372, Jon Bauer, 549-6220, Cary Fitchman, 547-4193, Mick Ruzich, 428-2677

Islam in the United States

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Ethnic Studies 98, 198 (Elaine Kim) • Units TBA • Time TBA • Room TBA • Facilitators: Andrew Spieldenner, Prizal Arqualada 601-0251.

Women of Color in the Community: Internship and Seminar

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ANIMAL TORTURE FOR PROFIT?

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Consider the \$14 million Northwest Animal Facility, constructed in spite of its seriously flawed Environmental Impact Report, which failed to justify the need for a new facility and to discuss alternate locations for the building. The university had been ordered by the court to submit another EIR with the implication that the university should halt the building's construction pending approval of the new EIR. However, secure in its knowledge that the new EIR would gain blanket approval by the regents and that repeated lawsuits undertaken against UC are costly and time-consuming to activist groups, the university constructed the facility.

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equately personal hygiene; presence of vermin in the facilities.

The new facility will not correct these problems or protect animals from callous negligence, but will merely serve to conceal animal mistreatment from public view.

Thus behind the locked doors of this animal facility, useless experiments will continue. Meet some UCB animal "researchers" and their past contributions to science:

Frank Beach masculinizes female dogs with injections of male hormones, masturbates them, and has concluded, among other things, that the inability of masculinized females to copulate with other females in heat is due to small penis size. Although Beach's masculinization "research" has been financed by taxpayers' money for nearly three decades, he admits that he does "not conduct research in order to benefit the public." By 1985, Beach had collected \$23,925 in NIMH grants.

Stephen Breedlove induced large penile muscles in female rat pups by injecting their pregnant mother with either testosterone or stanolone, and increased the size of these muscles with further injections of testosterone as the rats reached maturity. Breedlove then killed the rats and dissected them, concluding that testosterone and stanolone caused the penile muscle to be activated by different sets of nerves. Breedlove received \$70,386 in 1985 and is continuing his experiments to date with the aid of numerous other grants.

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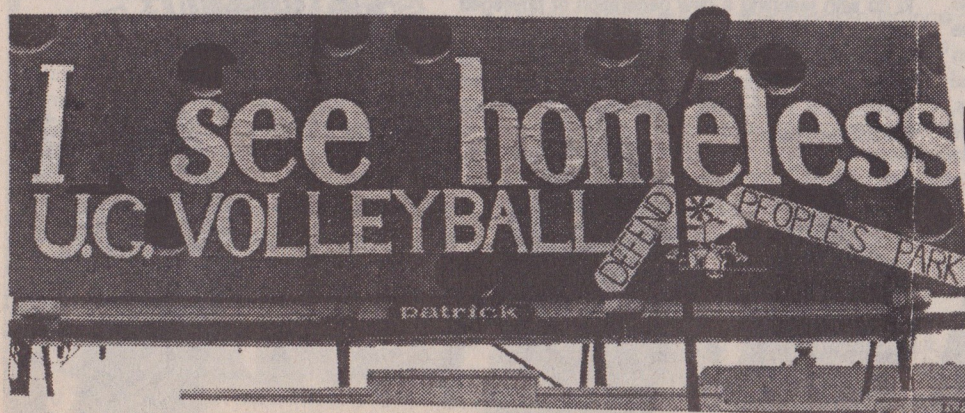
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3. I THINK ROTC SHOULD GO; BUT I AM NOT CLEAR ON ALL THE ISSUES.

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...a struggle for the land.

The fight over People's Park is a disagreement over who has the rightful claim to the land. One party calls itself "the People," thus the name of the place. This group, in practice, is the unincorporated association of People's Park users, mostly composed of activists, homeless people, progressive students, migrant people, and friends of all those people. The other party calls itself "the University of California," but since both the faculty and students have passed resolutions at some point endorsing user-control of the Park, the only group claiming title is the Regents of the University of California, a small group of extremely wealthy white men.

THE PEOPLE'S PARK STORY

Which group has the legitimate claim? Who really owns the Park? Let us examine how this situation evolved.

The site of People's Park was once a block of low-income housing, populated mostly by students. During the 1960s, the houses became the site of a thriving counterculture, opposed to the defense contracts and atmosphere of cultural repression at the University. Striving to eliminate what they described as a "hippie concentration," the Regents declared eminent domain over the houses, claiming a need for new dormitories. The owners were forced to sell at below market value and students in the houses were evicted around finals week.

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claiming and nurturing of the land are quite complex. Land has never been something one owns like a radio or a T-shirt; land exists in a fixed quantity and is merely claimed, not manufactured. Over the centuries, from feudalism to capitalism, land has gradually moved along a continuum from a publicly leased thing with some elements of ownership to a privately held quantity with elements of public control. Applicable elements of public control that persist today are; for the Regents, eminent domain, the ability of a public institution to take land for a pressing public need; for the People's Park users, the principle of old Common Law that allowed abandoned land to be claimed by those who make good use of it.

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The Regents claim to own People's Park because they seized it by eminent domain in 1967. This is invalid because: 1. The regents claimed the land to build dormitories, which it didn't build and, in 1967 didn't need, as they couldn't fill existing dorms. The real goal of the claim were to suppress the neighborhood culture in the houses they seized and destroyed and pave the way for as yet undetermined expansion. Imagine if Caltrans seized land to build a freeway and building a shopping mall instead! 2. The Regents continue to claim the land as a public institution with a pressing public purpose, using police forces granted it as an institution of the state of California, but seek to maintain ownership as a private corporation with no public responsibilities or public accountability.

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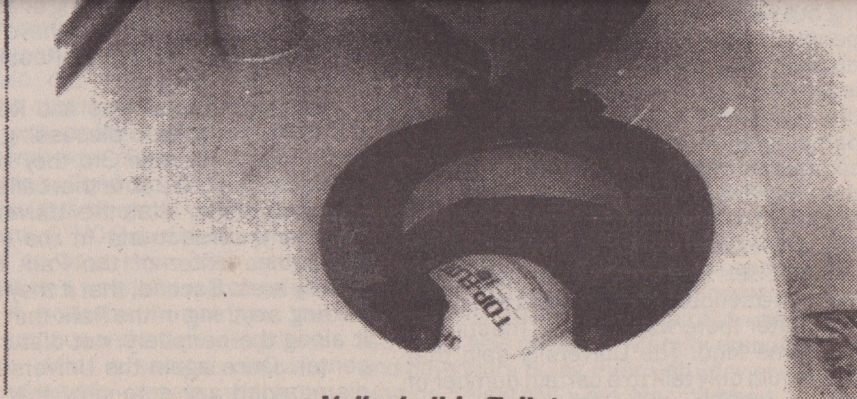
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THE USER'S CLAIM

The unincorporated association of People's Park users claims the land upon the ancient principle that responsibility for the Earth belongs to those who take care of it. The idea is articulated in Common Law.

English Common Law, dating from the middle ages, carried through to Colonial America, and still applies legally when no applicable legislation is available. Under common law, abandoned property belongs to its users. While California law tends more than other states toward complete privatization of land, in the case of People's park and the University the application is vague.

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Appointed by the Regents as UC Berkeley Chancellor in 1990, Tien has been responsible for the creation and/or continuation of a number of programs geared towards the gentrification of Southside. The most obvious of these programs is the Joint UC/City Lease Agreement on People's Park. However, Tien has also organized the "Southside Enhancement Committee" (a joint UC/City group formed to gentrify the South side), and has aggressively pursued the Long Range Development Plan. A university employee who asked not to be identified told the East Bay Express that Tien had rejected the idea of negotiating over the future of People's Park. "He personally rejected it on the grounds that he wanted violence and confrontation to show the regents he is tough. He (Tien) alluded to Bush's actions in the Persian Gulf: you don't negotiate you simply attack." (East Bay Express, August 9, 1991)

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Formerly the City Manager of Hartford, Connecticut, Brown was hired by the Berkeley City Council to direct the city's gentrification program. In Hartford, Brown presided over one of the most successful programs of community gentrification on the East Coast. His strategy in Berkeley is to "clean up the seedy atmosphere which is working to the negation of Berkeley's economic growth." (Berkeley Voice, November 25, 1990). After he was hired, Brown imported several of his political allies from Hartford to serve on the city staff, including Robert Bailey, the head of the Berkeley Police Review Commission.

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Appointed by the Regents as UC Berkeley Chancellor in 1990, Tien has been responsible for the creation and/or continuation of a number of programs geared towards the gentrification of Southside. The most obvious of these programs is the Joint UC/City Lease Agreement on People's Park. However, Tien has also organized the "Southside Enhancement Committee" (ajoint UC/City group formed to gentrify the South side), and has aggressively pursued the Long Range Development Plan. A university employee who asked not to be identified told the East Bay Express that Tien had rejected the idea of negotiating over the future of People's Park. "He personally rejected it on the grounds that he wanted violence and confrontation to show the regents he is tough. He (Tien) alluded to Bush's actions in the Persian Gulf: you don't negotiate you simply attack." (East Bay Express, August 9, 1991)

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Milton Fujii is the University's official PR man in their attempt to gentrify the area. His job is to portray the University's plans in such a way as to make them palatable to the students and residents of Southside. Fujii is also often used by the University to deflect attention away from the Chancellor and other University officials by having the community's attention, criticism, and anger focused on him. When asked questions he is often evasive. He can sometimes be found in People's Park and is usually easily spotted as he is the only person wearing a suit.

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Formerly the City Manager of Hartford, Connecticut, Brown was hired by the Berkeley City Council to direct the city's gentrification program. In Hartford, Brown presided over one of the most successful programs of community gentrification on the East Coast. His strategy in Berkeley is to "clean up the seedy atmosphere which is working to the negation of Berkeley's economic growth." (Berkeley Voice, November 25, 1990). After he was hired, Brown imported several of his political allies from Hartford to serve on the city staff, including Robert Bailey, the head of the Berkeley Police Review Commission. City employees have complained about the autocratic manner in which he directs the city staff; he has said that he "intends to raise the stress levels of all employees". Since Brown is an unelected official, he is often used by the city council in the same way that Milton Fujii is used by the UC; he deflects attention, criticism and anger away from the city council by focusing it on himself. In this way, the city council can portray an image of being "progressive", while at the same time supporting a policy of gentrification. An example of this is Brown's role in the People's Park construction. Before the construction began, the city council conveniently went into recess and gave Brown total control of the city. Then, after the confrontations around the Park, several "progressive" council members (Carla Woodworth, Anne Chandler, and Nancy Skinner) who supported the Joint Lease

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City Council Complicity in People's Park Construction

Many people question why the People's Park supporters have ventured outside the legal system to stop the University's invasion of their land. The truth is that People's Park activists have tried working "in the system" for years and found that the system did not want to hear from them. Neither the City nor the University is genuinely interested in hearing from Park supporters, or other disenfranchised groups, such as homeless people.

A closed meeting between different student groups, other community "representatives" and the University was scheduled on campus, November 2, coincidentally the same evening as a demonstration against UC police brutality. Demonstrators came to the building of the meeting but were not allowed in. When several people tried to walk out of the meeting in disgust they found that they could not leave because the University had blocked the doors with riot police to prevent any participants from leaving, and any other community members from giving input, so that the University could say that the representatives had been at this meeting. A University official told the police, "Do not let them out." Eventually the meeting attendees were allowed to leave. A week later there was an open meeting of the same kind. The University said that they would only talk to a certain number of representatives, thus immediately limiting the input they would receive. During the meeting whenever a representative would address a controversial issue about the Park University spokespeople replied that this particular item was not up for negotiation. It became so blatant that the meeting was only a dog and pony show that the president of the Pan-Hellenic Association (the Greeks) stood up and stated that obviously the University had already made all the decisions and was having this group meet just for show.

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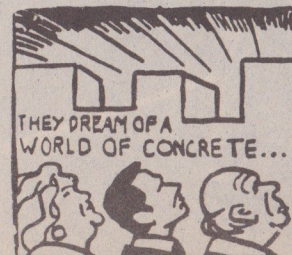
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People's Park: a recent chronology

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The riot police continued beating and chasing the scattered people the rest of the night. Oakland motorcycle police rode through the neighborhoods in the vicinity threatening all citizens. A family was clubbed including their seven year old child. Reports of excessive brutality were everywhere including police driving around in what have been dubbed "rat packs", and indiscriminately attacking suspected protestors sending several people to the hospital. Twenty more people, many of them homeless, were arrested on various charges.

Thurs. Aug 1 Construction continued. All 400 police in the vicinity were equipped with gas masks. Many people stayed peacefully in the Park all day. Of the initial thirty-six arrested most were released without charges. The suspected "leaders" were singled out and given criminal charges. Two others were held in jail. At 5:00 there was another meeting and a peaceful march was planned. At about 6:30 protestors lined up and encircled the riot police guarding the construction site and chanted "UC Out of the Park" and sang. Half an hour later 300 demonstrators went on a peaceful march to the chancellor's campus house on the northside of campus and returned to gather in the Park. After a second peaceful march around nearby streets, which returned again to the Park, a great celebration ensued in the Park. At around 11pm a large bonfire was built on Haste Street across from the Park. Shortly afterwards Berkeley police were given the permission to use rubber and wooden munitions, and they fired at the crowd as the group had retreated to Telegraph. Helicopters with searchlights followed as they tried to flee. Shootings continued throughout the night with people being shot in the head, neck and upper-body.

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Sat. Aug 3 Even more police were called in and virtually every police force in Alameda County was represented. Construction continued even on Saturday. The police were extremely violent and the media notes this on their 5pm coverage. A medical worker wearing plainly a visible red cross was clubbed. Many bystanders and neighbors doing their Saturday shopping on Telegraph were also clubbed.

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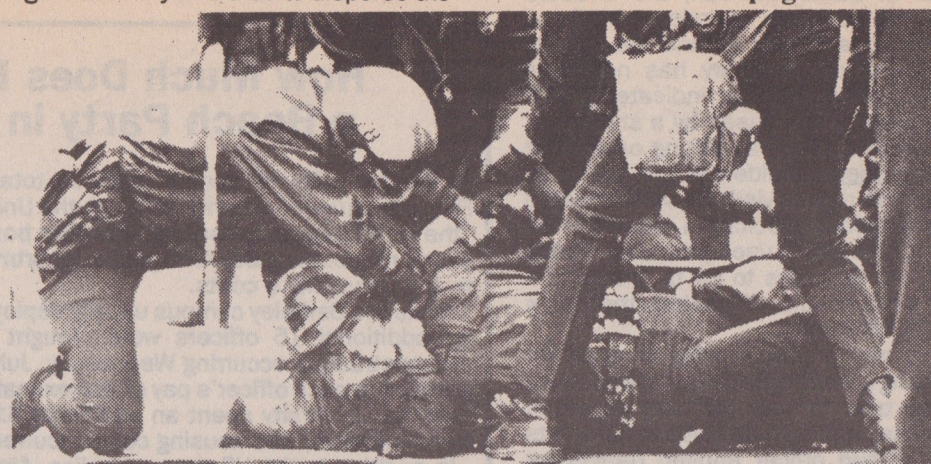
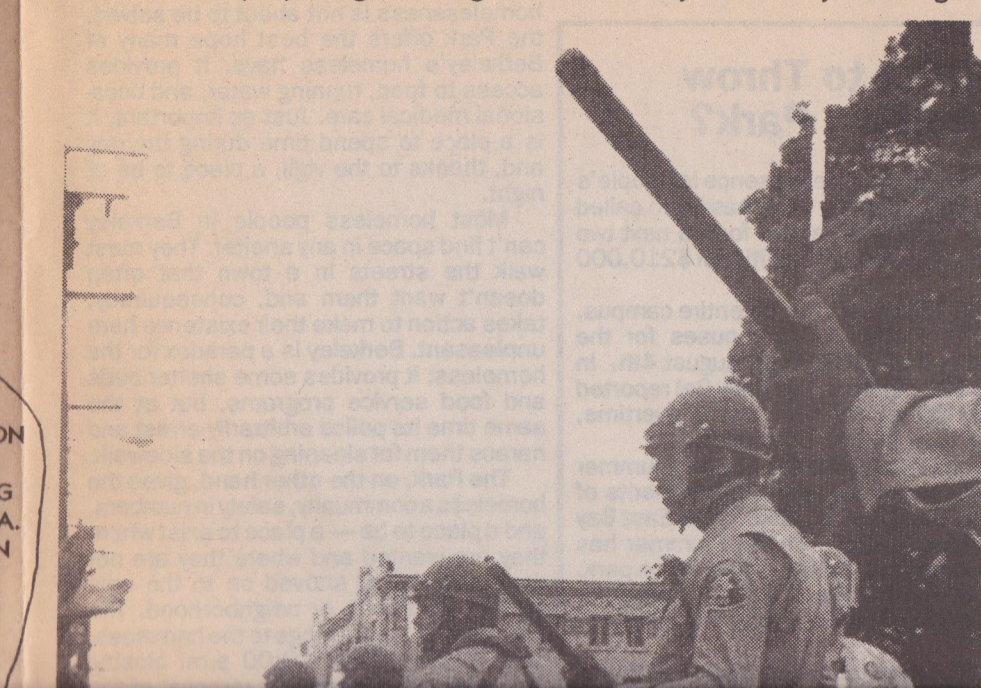
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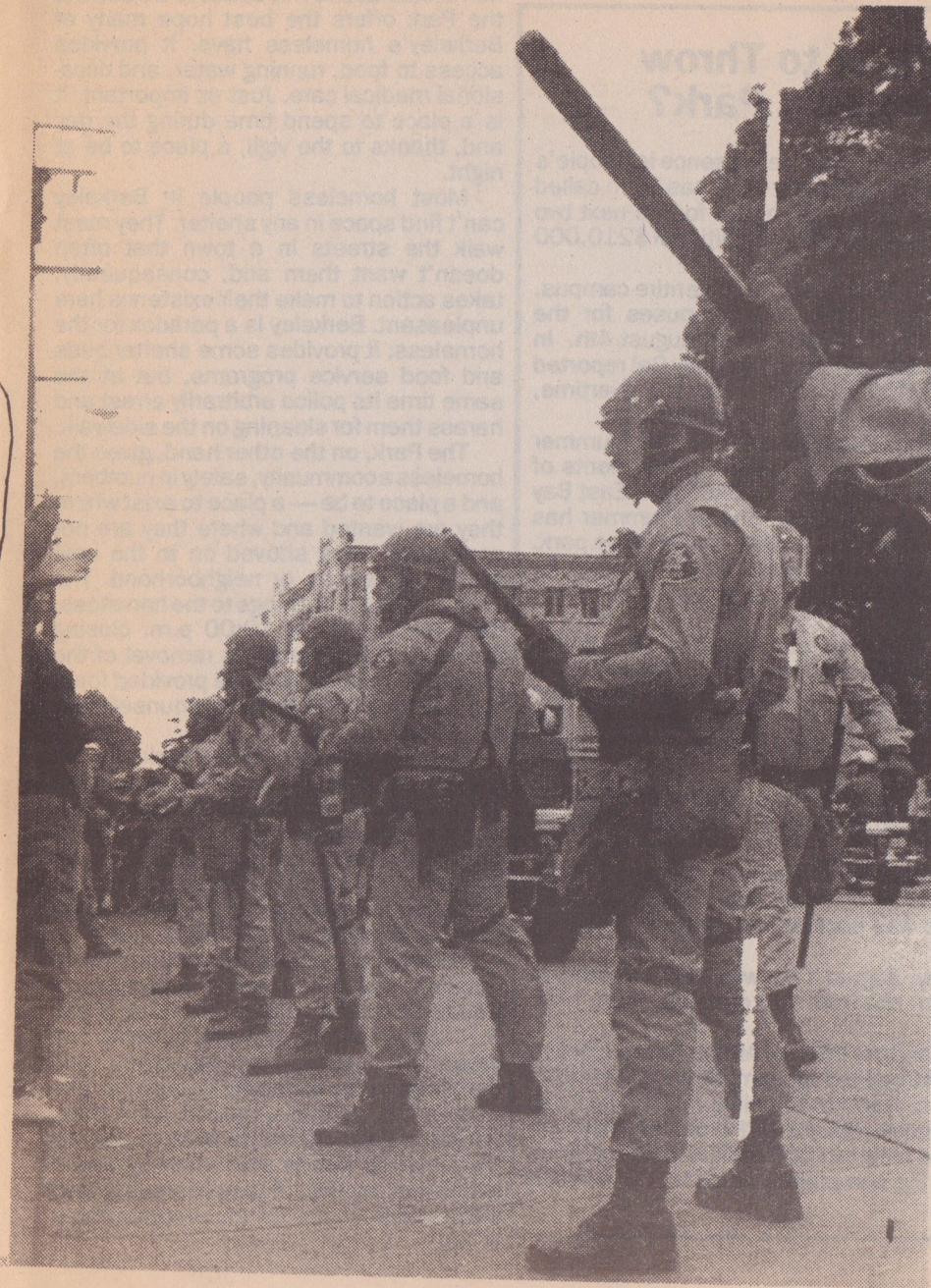
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Especially in Berkeley but also in many other cities, police attitudes toward the homeless are atrocious, with the homeless subjected to inordinate numbers of petty, fill-in-the-blank charges (various "disorderly conduct," trespassing, loitering charges), and discriminatory enforcement of other laws. The homeless have the worst response from police when the victims of crime, as they often are due to their vulnerability. Police also discriminate against and stereotype people of color, women, gays and lesbians. Police bring inordinate tension into their response to difficult situations, and use force when discussion is a very reasonable option.

People in Berkeley need to learn how to look out for the safety and well-being of themselves and others with as little police intervention as possible. People can: 1) Always attempt to solve disagreements by discussion. 2) Respond vocally when they see people treating each other unjustly. Few will persist with their behavior when faced with a large concerned group. 3) Study self-defense. 4) Only call the police as a last resort or in an emergency.

With people working things out in a gentle manner, tensions will give way to stronger community. With tensions and personal conflicts declining in the city, many police will be happily employed in other city departments, and the remainder will live at much less dangerous stress levels.

New Police Tactics: same recipe, bigger portions

Over the past few weeks, demonstrations concerning the fate of People's Park have received considerable public attention. Unknown to most observers of these events, however, are details of new police tactics, UC police in particular, introduced during the latest Free Speech clashes.

Most people know that when you have crowds of angry protesters you can expect also to find rows of helmeted riot police prepared to use their hands and batons when it is warranted (i.e., for self defense). But what about unwarranted use of their power? Following is a list of incidents which have occurred in the course of night skirmishes over construction of the volleyball courts, and during the sidewalk vigil to defend the right to sleep, which was initiated on the Haste Street side of People's Park on June 25. The vigil continued every night until July 31, when police, using force and intimidation to clear the streets, made the Southside area too dangerous a place to challenge laws against sleeping. The vigil resumed on August 4, when the massive police occupation was scaled down, and has continued every night since.

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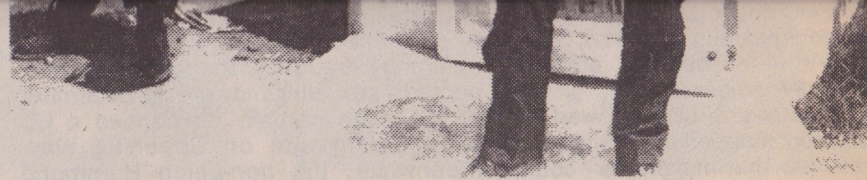
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Reached by telephone on Monday, August 12th, an aide to Sheriff Plummer reported that "an official agreement has not been announced" between Alameda County and the University.

Since the initial five days of protest, the volleyball courts have remained under 24 hour protection. The UCPD reported that after Monday, August 5th, when 57 mutual aid police patrolled the park, its force was back to normal size. This may be incorrect,

however, as one officer at the park on Sunday, August 11th was heard to snap at an inquisitive reporter, "Leave me alone. I'm not from this campus, I don't live here."

According to the Police Review Commission and the Internal Affairs Bureau, police officers from other cities visiting under the mutual aid agreement were under the command of the Berkeley Police Department. Reports of police misconduct can be filed using the PRC incident form. Grievances with the UCPD can be filed with the University. Community members are urged to fill out COPWATCH incident forms and consult with COPWATCH staff regarding the complaints process. COPWATCH can be reached at 548-0425.

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Some people accuse the Park of being dangerous at night. It is — just as dangerous as the rest of the Southside. But don't blame the homeless; they are victims of violent crime more often than are people with homes. Threatening the homeless community at the Park will do nothing to make the Southside safe.

If Berkeley would institute transitional housing and job-training programs; if California would restore MediCal; if the U.S. would restore veterans benefits and clean up H.U.D., and transform and demilitarise its economy in order to provide for its people — great! Until then, People's Park will do its best to pick up the slack, as well as point the way toward a different society, of people sharing their efforts and talents for the empowerment of all.

PEOPLES of BERKELEY

The university is not likely to tell you that Berkeley has a long tradition of struggle and radical activism that goes back not just to the 60s, but throughout the entire century. More often than not, activism at Berkeley has been directed against the university itself, a good reason for the university to have an interest in hiding past activism from students.

What is surprising about Berkeley's history is how many times the students and faculty have won struggles against the university. Often victories won at Berkeley spread to the rest of the nation. Most importantly, the history of activism at Berkeley clearly shows that changes can be made through political activism and contradicts the smug cynicism of the 80s. Knowing the history of UC Berkeley is perhaps the most disorienting information available.

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though receiving a majority of student support, the faculty chose not to include students, working people and minorities in their fight so that their 'role as gentlemen' would not be compromised. To the faculty's rude surprise, the Regents weren't so gentlemanly in their successful strategy of isolating the more outspoken faculty and setting the demoralize remainder at each others' throats. This marked the end of a tradition of faculty initiation of university reform.

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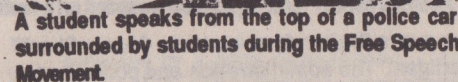
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In 1960, as lunch counter sit-ins began in the south against racial segregation, students organized support demonstrations.

In May, UC students were angered when a UC student was subpoenaed by the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC). Several hundred noisy demonstrators were kept out of the hearings which were being held in San Francisco. Without warning police opened up with fire hoses washing the students down the steps of city hall. 12 were injured and 64 arrested.

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Spring 1965 saw the formation of the Vietnam Day Committee (VDC). Jerry Rubin used his organizational and public relations talents to spark a huge outdoor round-the-clock teach-in on a playing field where Zellerbach Hall is now located. About 30,000 people turned out.

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In 1950, the low point for leftist activity in this country because of the McCarthy witchhunts, the faculty began a several year struggle against a mandatory "loyalty" (anti-communist) oath, one of the major acts of faculty resistance to McCarthyism on any American campus. At

the same time, the graduate representatives on the Academic Senate raised the issue of racial discrimination at Greek letter houses in early 1957. This became a major issue on campus and led to the establishment of SLATE, a student political party and action group.

In the spring of 1958 SLATE campaigned for an end to racial discrimination in Greek letter houses, fair wages and rent for students and protection of academic freedom, which at the time meant free speech and an end to political firings of faculty members. The administration responded by throwing SLATE out of the ASUC election. A petition was circulated to get SLATE back on and in one day the petitioners collected 4000 student signatures.

In 1960, as lunch counter sit-ins began in the south against racial segregation, students organized support demonstrations.

Confrontation with HUAC

In May, UC students were angered when a UC student was subpoenaed by the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC). Several hundred noisy demonstrators were kept out of the hearings which were being held in San Francisco. Without warning police opened up with fire hoses washing the students down the steps of city hall. 12 were injured and 64 arrested.

The next day, 5000 demonstrators showed up and things were peaceful. The press around the country was horrified and gave the event great play. HUAC made a propaganda movie of the event and sent copies around the country. But the movie's message about the subversive menace was ignored by students. Rather, they identified with their fellow students and in the end it attracted leftist students to Berkeley.

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brought industry-wide agreements to open up new jobs to blacks. The last in this series of actions was the abortive attempt to make the Oakland Tribute increase black hiring beyond the 2 percent level of that time.

The Free Speech Movement

From 1960 to 1964, students had greatly strengthened their political rights and civil liberties and had become involved in off-campus as well as on campus struggles. The Free Speech Movement (FSM) in October of 1964 was the most famous demand for student civil rights at Berkeley.

Traditionally, students had set up political tables on the strip of land at the Telegraph/Bancroft entrance to the university since this was considered to be public property. However, the Oakland Tribute (which students were then picketing) pointed out to the administration that this strip of land actually belonged to the university.

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Opposition to the Vietnam War

In the years 1965 to 68 the anti-war movement grew and students focused on the draft and the university's role in defense research. The number of troops in Vietnam increased from an initial 125,000 to 500,000 by early 1968 and tens of thousands of G.I.'s came home in body bags. Protesters responded with a gradual increase in militancy.

Spring 1965 saw the formation of the Vietnam Day Committee (VDC). Jerry Rubin used his organizational and public relations talents to spark a huge outdoor round-the-clock teach-in on a playing field where Zellerbach Hall is now located. About 30,000 people turned out.

During the summer of 1965 several hundred people tried to stop troop trains on the Santa Fe railroad tracks in West Berkeley by standing on the tracks. In the fall, 10-20,000 people tried three times to march to the Oakland Army terminal from campus. Twice they were turned back short of Oakland by masses of police.

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Also in that year, the anti-Vietnam movement ran Robert Scheer for the Democratic nomination for Congress in Berkeley against cold-war liberal Jeffery Cohelan. A thousand students worked in his campaign and he received 44 percent of the vote, narrowly missing the nomination.

In the fall of 66, the focus was brought back to the role of the university by a sit-down protest around a Navy recruiter table. Students for a Democratic Society, the main national organization of the New Left and by this time widely known for its anti-war work, had been refused permission to set up a table on alternatives to military service. They set up the table anyway, a short distance from the Navy recruiter.

Police came to remove the table and as they left with it, students crowded around to obstruct

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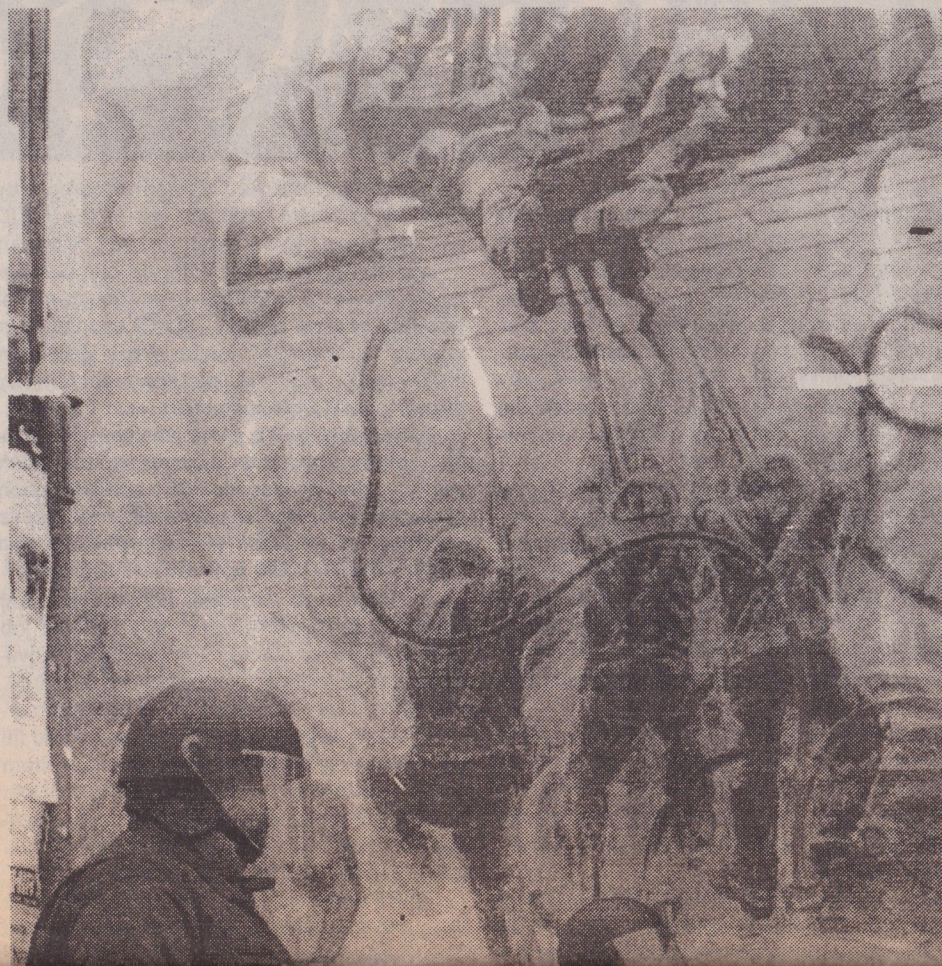
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The administration seized on the property damage issue to divide the supporters of the class and the struggle dwindled after the sit-ins because of division over tactics, the burden of court and disciplinary proceedings, end of the quarter pressures and a lack of leadership.

The Third World Strike

The next quarter saw the Third World Strike at Berkeley. This greatly overshadowed the Cleaver struggle and any other struggle on campus up until that point. For the first time third world students on campus played a leading role in a major struggle. It was also the first time that different third world groups were able to unite among themselves and seek support from white students.

Three third world groups had been involved in separate smaller negotiations and confrontations with the administration for a year. Under the influence of the strike at San Francisco State, these Berkeley students formed the Third World Liberation Front (TWLF) and put forward their demands, chief among them a Third World College with adequate funding, open admissions and financial aid for third



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After two months of strike, students were worn down and involved with court battles. A divisive debate about tactics had arisen. Under the circumstance, the TWLF decided to suspend the strike. They entered into negotiations with the administration over specifics of an Ethnic Studies program, which, while falling short of their demands, was a partial victory and created today's ethnic studies departments.

People's Park

With two huge struggles in as many quarters and little to show for them, students and people in Berkeley were frustrated and fought extra hard during the creation of People's Park. The site that is now People's Park was a dirt parking lot at the start of 69. The university had bought the property for new dorms. When it sat empty for some time and became an eyesore, community members decided to build a park on it.

Building the park was exciting for many of the hippies, street people and activists who participated. They were doing something for

around the park. A rally protesting the fence was quickly organized on Sproul Plaza. In the middle of the rally, police turned off the sound system. 6,000 people spontaneously began to march down Telegraph Ave. toward the park. They were met by 250 police with rifles and flack-jackets. Someone opened a fire hydrant. When the police moved into the crowd to shut off the hydrant, some rocks were thrown and the police retaliated by firing tear gas to disperse the crowd.

An afternoon of chaos and violence followed. Sheriff's deputies walked through the streets of Berkeley firing into crowds and at individuals with shotguns. At first they used birdshot but when that ran out, they switched to double-0 buckshot. 128 people were admitted to hospitals that day, mostly with gunshot wounds. James Rector dies of his wounds a few days later.

The day after the shootings, 3000 National Guard troops were sent to occupy Berkeley. A curfew was imposed and a ban on public assembly was put into force. Meetings on campus were broken up with tear gas.

But mass demonstrations continued. In one mass arrest, 482, including innocent bystanders and journalists from the establishment press, were arrested. Prisoners from that arrest reported extensive beatings at Santa Rita jail.

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At the same time, Chicano students held a sit-in at Boalt Law School in order to get more Chicano students admitted. Other Third World students were also fighting for greater representation in Boalt. With these events facing them, students held massive meetings, rallies and spirited marches, joined the workers on the picket lines and covered the campus with garbage, to be picked up later by scabs guarded by the police. Active students were banned from campus. The strike lasted for 83 days.

In Early May, Nixon announced the mining of North Vietnamese ports. The same night as his announcement, a hastily-called candlelight march in Ho Chi-Minh Park, starting with only 200-300 people, grew to thousands as they marched through Berkeley. During the night, people tore down the fence around People's Park with their bare hands, a police car was overturned and burned and skirmishing with police lasted into the morning hours.

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Students plastered Sproul Hall with banners and signs and renamed it Biko Hall, after the murdered South African Black Consciousness Movement leader, Stephen Biko. The administration didn't move to bust the sit-in immediately and it grew steadily. After UPC officially joined the action on April 15, chancellor Heyman threatened arrests. 350 slept out that night and at 4:30 am, UC police started arrests.

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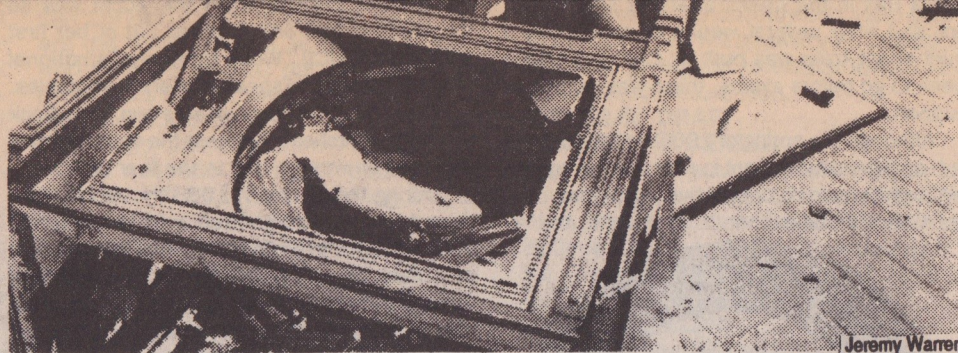
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Early 1981 saw 1500 attend a symposium on El Salvador which led to a 5000 strong march the next day protesting US intervention in El Salvador. Students voted on referendums on several UC campuses opposing UC involvement in nuclear weapons labs.

The nuclear arms issue continued to gain importance nationally during the early 80s. In early 1982, 174 people were arrested in the first blockade of the Livermore labs which are run by the University of California and are a major nuclear weapons research and design facility. Another 100 people were arrested that spring in various actions around the labs. On June 21st, 1300 were arrested in another huge protest at Livermore.

In spring of 1982, the Berkeley Feminist Alliance collected hundreds of signatures on petitions demanding the administration take steps to prevent rape on campus. These steps included better lighting, self-defense classes and increased hours for the university escort service. The campaign was in response to 3 rapes of students that spring. The ASUC



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February saw a speech by then US Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick. Students Against Intervention in El Salvador (SAINTES) organized protesters inside the lecture hall. When Kirkpatrick appeared on stage she was greeted with boos and rhythmic chants of "FMLN." Many in the audience joined in this greeting. After 15 minutes the moderator tried to evict a particularly vocal woman, thereby interrupting the speech. A large portion of the crowd began to chant "US out of El Salvador," and Kirkpatrick, visibly upset and angry, left the stage.

In June over a thousand people were arrested at Livermore lab in a protest against the nuclear labs. They were held in circus tents because there wasn't space for them in jails. They spent 10 days in the tents before an agreement was reached.

The Sproul Sit-In

In 1984, the United People of Color (UPC) and the Campaign Against Apartheid (CAA) allied with each other in the UC Divestment Coalition. They demanded that the university divest the then \$1.8 billion it had invested in South Africa. On October 11, after several educational forums by UPC, the coalition sponsored a march for divestment.

On April 4, students at Columbia blockaded their administration building, inspiring talk of similar actions across the US. A week later, UPC held a rally in support of the Columbia action, and half-way through the rally, about 75 people went up on the steps and blockaded Sproul Hall. The action was controversial since CAA had assured UPC that they would wait until things were better planned before holding a sit-in, and many of those who took over the steps were involved in CAA.

"Biko 160+." Organizers of the rally called for a student strike the following day and that night over 600 people slept on the steps.

After the 80 percent effective student strike and another 5,000+ rally the following day, the administration agreed to hold a regents' forum on apartheid. The sit-in continued and on April 24, the day of the regents' forum, 50 percent boycotted classes and 7,500 jammed Harmon Gym for the forum. On May 2, UPC organized a sunrise shutdown of University Hall at which 112 were arrested for blockading the doors. The next week, 13,000 went to see Desmond Tutu speak in the Greek theater.

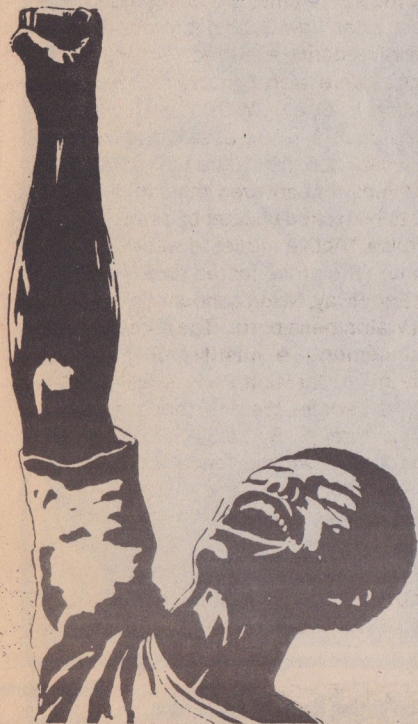
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The Shantytowns

When school started in the spring of 1985, apartheid was still a big issue. In November, CAA held a torchlight march through the streets of Berkeley. The next day UPC occupied Sproul Hall all day and held a teach in about racism at home and abroad. Several hundred participated and in the evening, 140 were arrested for failure to leave the building.

At the end of March, CAA and UPC achieved a tenuous alliance to set up a shantytown together in front of California Hall. Although the tensions between the groups over tactics had increased rather than declined, both groups saw the need to work together in the face of the regents' continued intransigence. After 4,000

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In the fall of 1989, a woman was raped and thrown out of a third story window at a student Co-op. The feminist community split on the issue because the rapist was black. Some argued that particular attention was paid to the rape because of the racial aspect, pointing out that a recent rape committed by a white athlete received much less attention. They recalled the historical myth of the black rapist. Others argued that the rape was extremely brutal regardless of the racial component. Emotional and heated discussions between the two viewpoints took place.

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Women began to organize during the height of the sit-in and throughout the anti-apartheid movement because they felt they didn't have a significant voice in decision making, although their numbers equalled those of the men involved. They organized Women Against Oppression to create a forum for women to discuss the sexism occurring within the student movement and as a base for organizing women's actions within the anti-apartheid movement.

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The Haste St. House

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Exactly a week after the occupation started, about 80 police officers evicted the squatters and took back the house. The streets around the house were filled with demonstrators all day after the eviction. By the next morning, the university had torn the building to the ground, claiming it had to destroy it in order to "save" it from the squatters.

The day police took back the house, news broke that President Reagan was sending 3200 troops to Honduras, a move many thought was a preparation for an invasion of Nicaragua. Berkeley students still stinging from police action on the Haste St. house instantly mobilized to oppose the deployment of troops. There were protests on campus and in Berkeley including an occupation of Sproul Hall. Many students also went to San Francisco and participated in nightly marches which included from 1000 to 7000 people. After a week of local and national protest, Reagan backed down and withdrew the troops.

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Richard Van Sluyters sews kittens' eyes shut, often causing blindness and inserts microelectrodes in their brains. After the experiments, the cats are killed. Van Sluyters has been conducting these experiments for over ten years.

Is this research applicable to human beings? Not even the researchers would make that claim, preferring to label their endeavors "basic research," a vague category that most often seeks to justify an experiment's lack of application to practical situations.

The University of California, of course, profits from animal research. Panicked by increasing public awareness of its billion dollar animal research industry, UC has undertaken a massive spending campaign to conceal its greedy motives with the lie that animals experimentation is responsible for human health, whereas in fact, humans have been plagued since the advent of animal testing by the disasters which inevitably follow a science that determines experimental results for rats and other non human animals.

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time before it had to be replaced by the Sabin vaccine, because the former was considered dangerous. The Sabin vaccine, in turn, was determined to be a cancer-causing substance because it had been developed on monkey kidneys which normally contain the SV-40 virus, which is unnatural and cancerogenic in humans. Finally, an entirely harmless vaccine was developed by Dr. Lenoard Hayflick, formerly of Stanford, from human tissues.

For the 88/89 fiscal year, UC paid \$130,000 in dues to the California Biomedical Research Association (CBRA), \$20,000 of which came directly from UC Berkeley, in order to "provide ongoing public education about the need to use animals in research," according to UCSF chancellor and CBRA organizer Julius Krevans, MD. CBRA's two main goals are to indoctrinate the public with misconceptions about the necessity of animal research and to infiltrate the animal rights movement.

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turning to Shattuck, the group was ambushed by four Berkeley police cars, and fifteen police rushed into the scattered front of the crowd, selected a target and chased him out of sight. As the group returned to People's Park, police shoved arm-linked marchers.

At the 5pm meeting demonstrators agreed to meet at Center and Shattuck for a march. This march went down Shattuck, Ashby, and north on Telegraph. Blocked from entering People's Park at every attempt, marchers reached Bancroft and returned to Shattuck. Turning at University, marchers debated direction then entered the University. Amidst incredible tension, marchers crossed the University flanked by UC Police without incident.

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After a while, police lines cleared the Park, and then fired on the crowd in the



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At about 3pm a group of people started gardening in the Berkeley Inn lot, but police arrived and started to confiscate the gardening tools. The ensuing argument resulted in a larger crowd and a group of 75 decided to march. The group cut to Shattuck and went by Civic Center, growing in numbers along the way. Re-

turning to Shattuck, the group was ambushed by four Berkeley police cars, and fifteen police rushed into the scattered front of the crowd, selected a target and chased him out of sight. As the group returned to People's Park, police shoved arm-linked marchers.

At the 5pm meeting demonstrators agreed to meet at Center and Shattuck for a march. This march went down Shattuck, Ashby, and north on Telegraph. Blocked from entering People's Park at every attempt, marchers reached Bancroft and returned to Shattuck. Turning at University, marchers debated direction then entered the University. Amidst incredible tension, marchers crossed the University flanked by UC Police without incident.

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After a while, police lines cleared the Park, and then fired on the crowd in the



street without provocation. Police charged part of the group, chasing them through the Unit Two Dorm Compound swinging at everyone. The police followed the crowd

for three blocks firing wooden and rubber bullets, and then Oakland motorcycle police rushed the crowd, as demonstrators frantically erected barricades to the fierce motorcycle charge. Motorcycle police caught up with demonstrators, occasionally hitting them with the motorcycles. Police continued to disperse demonstrators who attempted to regroup for another two hours.

Sun. Aug. 4 There was a press conference in front of Cody's Books at which Maudelle Shirek, the most progressive city council member called for a cease-fire on all sides until people can negotiate. She chastised Michael Brown for his handling of the situation. Police review commissioner Osha Neumann and assorted victims of police violence also attended. That evening there was a peaceful march.

AND NOW... OF PEOPLE'S HISTORY

THE CONCLUSION

in power, not content to control the university administration, the economy, government and military, focused their concern on political protest, the last avenue open to those outside the walls of power. When students tried to have a discussion during Sarich's class a second time, police were waiting and a rally was held outside the building instead. Eventually there were meetings with the university over the issue.

Another issue was sparked when the UC football team was invited to the Copperbowl in Arizona. Arizona was under boycott because of its failure to declare January 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day along with the rest of the country. Demonstrations and educational events were organized in protest. Protestors marched to the annual Big Game and were verbally and physically assaulted by Alumni.

In November, Direct Action Against Racism (DAAR) organized a takeover of the ROTC building demanding that the building be converted to a multicultural center and raising issues of discrimination against bisexuals, lesbians and gays in the military. Demonstra-

tors entered the building and gave 3 minutes for everyone to leave before they nailed doors shut. Eventually about 20 people were arrested. DAAR was also active in organizing the Sarich protests and the Copperbowl protests.

The Persian Gulf War

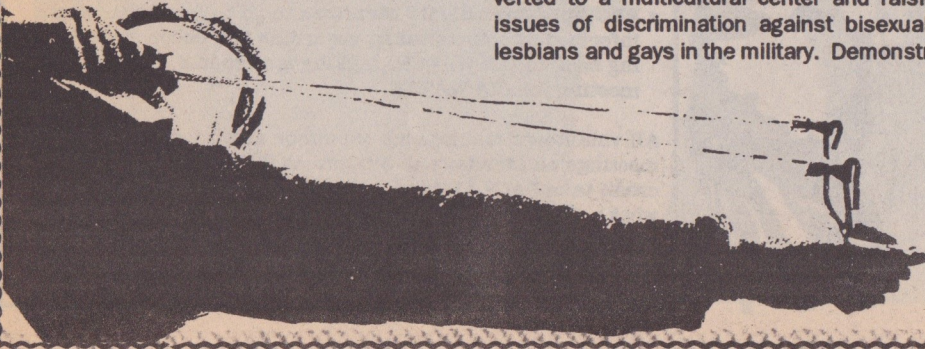
Several teach-ins, rallies, marches, and vigils occurred in Berkeley during the Persian Gulf War. One vigil organized by Students for Peace drew 4,000 people followed by a march to People's Park and then to I-80 where freeway traffic was blocked. Berkeley and Oakland high students also walked out of class the day of the war.

San Francisco however was a main center of anti-war resistance in the U.S. In November students from S.F. state and Berkeley did a militant takeover of an S.F. recruiting center with thirteen people charged with several felonies. The day before the war broke out, thousands of people blocked and shut down the Federal building along with breakaway marches including thousands taking over the Bay

bridge. That night a march organized by Roots Against War (RAW) numbered in the tens of thousands once again militantly took over the bridge. The night of the war tens of thousands again marched on the financial district trashing two recruiting centers, score of banks, corporate tagets (such as Macys) and torched a police car.

On Jan 19th and 26th over a hundred thousand people marched in San Francisco. The mass media reported 10-20 thousand downplaying the fact that there was large opposition to the war throughout the country. Over 2,000 people were arrested in anti-war activity in San Francisco. Students at S.F. State built and occupied a shantytown for over a month. In Berkeley students put up a wall of resistance displaying artists pieces.

On March 9th women celebrating International Women's Day hosted the annual tv smash which police tried to prevent. Later in the semester in response to a rape on UC property women from the campus NOW organized a Take Back the Night the march.



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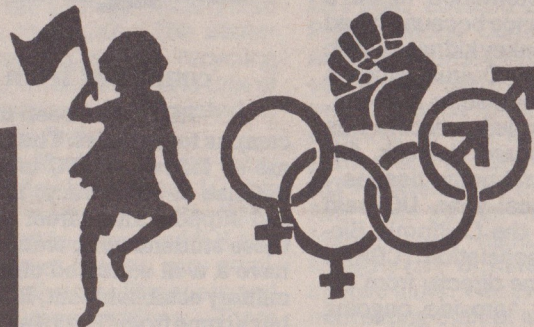
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Video presentation at INFO CAFE 8:00 pm. Featured is "Free At Last" video about Nelson Mandella. Also with the "Poll Tax Riot" video from ATTACK INTERNATIONAL. 3833 M.L.K. Jr. Way, (near MacArthur BART).



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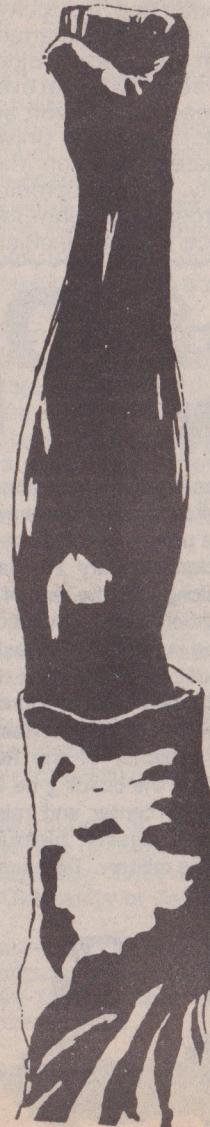
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- **Researchers/Writers** for in depth studies of police department budgets and policies, UC-City relations, research of laws and rights, and successful law suits
- **Caseworkers** to help individuals with their complaints, go with them to court dates, find lawyers, press and community support, follow up
- **COPWATCHers** to do street observation and take incident reports
- **PRC/City Council/UC Monitors** to go to meetings, stay informed of actions taken regarding the police, reporting back to COPWATCH, making statements at the meeting for COPWATCH

All volunteers and interns should be able to attend weekly meetings on Mondays at 8:00pm at 2022 Blake St. For credit take PACS 197 for 1-3 units (5-15 hours of work a week). Come to the Monday, Aug. 26 meeting to fill out paperwork for internship credit, or call Danielle Storer (Internship Coordinator) at 548-0425.

A "Peace officer" takes aim at demonstrators with a "Multiple Baton" weapon that shoots pieces of wood. This weapon, fired in Berkeley three days in a row in August, is also used in the West Bank.